

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 627

Introduced by Assembly Member Gorell

February 20, 2013

An act relating to state government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 627, as introduced, Gorell. State government.

Existing law generally regulates energy conservation and efficiency in state buildings.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to require state agencies, departments, and commissions, when they are evaluating the construction of a new building or facility, or the transfer or renewal of a lease for a building or facility, to consider as a top priority in making that decision whether a net-zero energy consumption building or facility, also known as an energy-independent building or facility, can be constructed or occupied, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to require state
2 agencies, departments, and commissions, when they are evaluating
3 the construction of a new building or facility, or the transfer or
4 renewal of a lease for a building or facility, to consider as a top
5 priority in making that decision whether a net-zero energy
6 consumption building or facility, also known as an
7 energy-independent building or facility, can be constructed or

- 1 occupied if that construction or occupancy can be accomplished
- 2 at or at about the same market rate as a traditional building or
- 3 facility, and the building or facility meets all of the location, size,
- 4 and logistical requirements set forth in the agency's, department's,
- 5 or commission's site selection process.

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